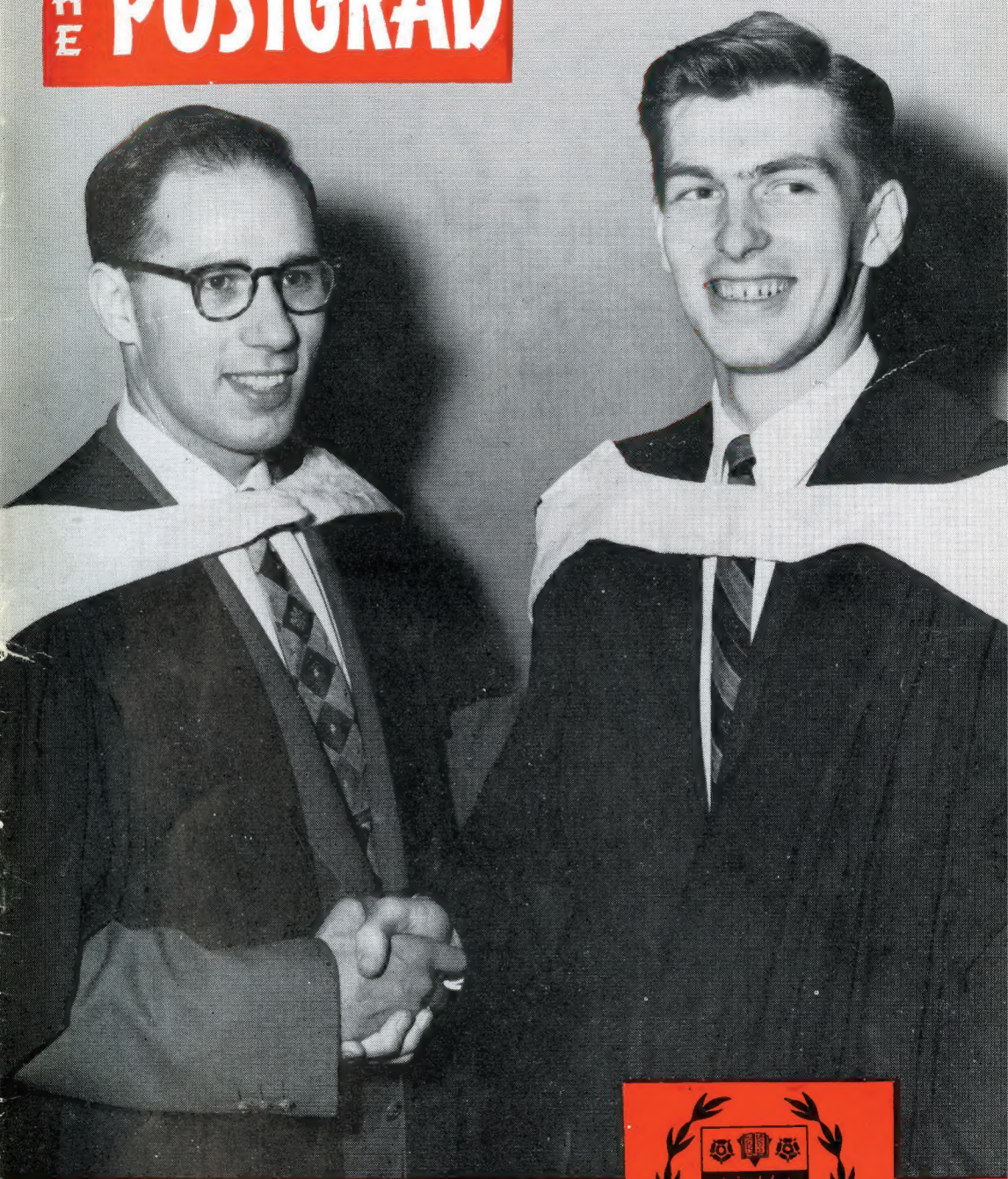


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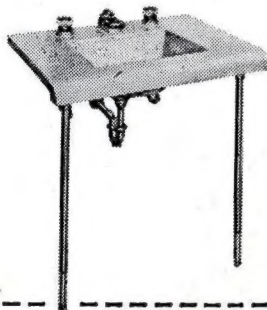
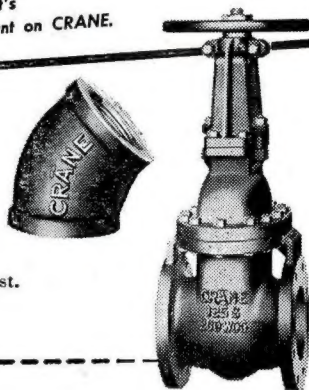
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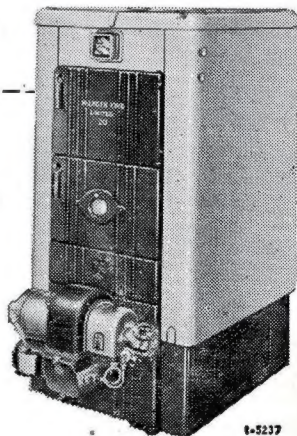
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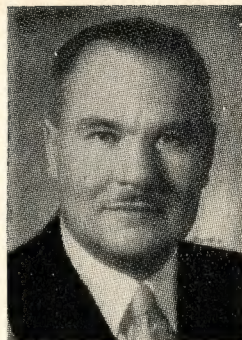


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## **"WELCOME THE CHALLENGE AND BE EQUAL TO IT"**

by DR. K. E. NORRIS, Principal



*(Text of the address given by Dr. Norris to this year's graduating class at St. James United Church, June, 3.)*

**T**HIS IS THE twentieth convocation of Sir George Williams College. For all twenty of these convocations, except last year, it has been my privilege to say a parting word to the graduating students—to utter a valedictory, as it were on behalf of the staff and faculty to those who are about to leave us, to tell them we are sorry they are going, and that we have appreciated the opportunity to have worked with them for the terms of their undergraduate careers.

Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Commerce you have been a good class. You have fitted into and added to the Georgian tradition of friendliness and good spirit, of basic good relations between student and student, and between student and faculty. You have been good students in all that the phrase implies, and we thank you for it.

More than anyone realizes a college is what its students make it. And you have added to the task of making Sir George a good College, in spite of the fact that you have lived out your undergraduate days, and go out from our midst just before the advent of the new College building, which we have all been a waiting and dreaming of for so many years.

To the class which follows you, will fall the privilege of opening the new College building and probably of having the first classes in its lecture halls and laboratories. I sincerely trust that it will prove to be as good a class, that their morale will be as high, and that they will show as good a spirit, as the twenty Georgian classes which have preceded them through the years.

But now, in belated deference to my Doctor's orders, and in deference to your wishes for short speeches, I must close these remarks.

Members of the graduating classes,—I offer you the very best wishes of your faculty and the staff of your College. May the years which lie ahead be crowded with challenge met and satisfaction obtained. These are crowded challenging years in which to graduate. May you always welcome the challenge and be equal to it.

Members of the graduating classes of 1955, your College wishes you well.

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## **ALUMNI WELCOMES**

### **334 NEW MEMBERS**

by **LEONARD R. ROSENBERG**

**President, Association of Alumni, Sir George Williams College**

**A**NOTHER convocation has passed and with it our ranks have grown by 334 new members. It is both a pleasure and a privilege to welcome these 1955 Graduates to our association. James Alexander Roger Watt, B.Com. '55, was awarded this year's Alumni Award for the outstanding commendation of his fellow graduates and of the faculty. The award was presented along with the other graduation prizes at the convocation ceremony in St. James United Church.

Sharing the limelight with the graduates this year is the college's new building. On the afternoon of June 3, the same day as convocation, the building's cornerstone was "well and truly laid" by F. B. Walls, C.B.E., president of the Corporation of Sir George Williams College. I was present at the ceremony as a representative of our association. The ceremony was simple and dignified in true keeping with the spirit of Sir George. Dean Hall mentioned to me that the faculty looked forward to moving into the new building early in 1956.

Our social activities, since I last wrote this page, seem to have reflected the trend toward a more active graduate society at Sir George. Dick McDonald and Jerry Miller, co-social chairmen, have done a wonderful job in organizing both the first bi-annual dance and this year's annual reception for the new graduates, both held at the Mount Royal Hotel. The two events were successful beyond expectations—to date I have received no adverse comments at all, which must prove beyond a doubt that members who attended enjoyed themselves to the fullest. I look forward to our social programme continuing at this increased tempo.

The contributions to both the Grad Fund and the Building Fund, since our recent publicity, have been most gratifying. As one of the prime functions of our graduates' society is to aid the college and the undergraduates, and since a major method of helping available to us is through financial help, these fund raising programmes are a pleasant, though taxing, necessity.

In the field of finance—discussions have been held at executive meetings as to the advisability of supplementing the above funds with an annual membership assessment. In discussion, an annual assessment between \$5.00 and \$10.00, was suggested. The feeling is that although this might not be an excessive amount per individual, the total income from our membership would greatly assist in furthering our objectives, particularly in the field of student scholarships and grants to the college itself.

May I again itemize what I feel are the overall objectives of our association:

1. A broader cooperation among graduates
2. Helping the college to improve its facilities and position by any means at our disposal
3. Lending a helping hand to undergraduates in whatever form it is required or requested

I would be greatly interested in hearing your views on the form of fund raising mentioned above



# Postgrad Patter

OUR HATS are off to Dick MacDonald, Gerry Miller and Co. for their fine work on the grads reception at the Sheraton-Mount Royal Hotel on June 3. An estimated 1,000 grads, alumni, and friends attended to make it by far the best reception in alumni history. Looks like next year a bigger hall (and more waiters) might be in order. Or didn't you have to wait an hour to get served? . . .

Our apologies to John Patterson—he's with Grinnell Co. of Canada Ltd. at 3980 Namur street in Montreal . . . Congrats to Frank Hubscher who was recently awarded a Doctor of Laws degree from the University of Paris—Frank graduated from Sir George in Arts and Science and from the faculty of law and the institute of international air law at McGill . . .

ODDS AND ENDS . . . We hear that Glenn Wood has moved to 985 - 50th avenue in Lachine with his wife and their two-month-old son . . . Steve Montague and Edith Astwood make last-minute plans for their wedding on July 9 at Hudson Heights . . . Herb and Olive Shannon proud parents of one Richard Arthur . . . Maurice and Zeta Dupre can boast two daughters—three years and 10 months—Moe is teaching at Sir George and at a technical school in St. Hyacinthe . . . Nancy (Olak) Donaho in town from Brooklyn for a short stay . . . Barbara (Bobby Roy) McLean mother of a little girl . . . Barbara Nuttall now working at the Montreal Neurological Institute after a stint in the Queen City . . . Bill Aaron relaxing (and he deserves to) after writing his Bar exams—he came out with 2nd class honors in fourth year law . . . Ken Adams and Ann Curll to be married next month . . . A girl for the Stanger's—Dave and Betty . . .

School Teachers Trevor Phillips and Tod Andrews vacationing(?) in Connecticut at summer school . . . Jay Durnford off to Europe for the summer . . . Ron and Marge Urquhart have moved to Pembroke from Montreal—he was transferred with the Bell . . . Rev. Frank Burton was ordained to the Diaconate recently by the Rt. Rev. John Dixon, Bishop of Montreal,—he is now assistant at the Church of the Ascension . . . And Rev. Patrick Judge, B.A. '52, has taken over as new assistant at St. Peter's Anglican Church in the Town of Mount Royal . . . Maurice Miller named 1st vice-president of the Mr. and Mrs. Club of Temple Emanu-El . . . J. Paul Duhaime top man at Continental Paint and Varnish Works . . . Wally (CKTS — Sherbrooke) Trudeau engaged to Juliette Bergeron of that city and that station . . . Jane Hammond, reporting with The Star, to the Continent and Tom Hecht back after a business trip there . . .

A committee has now been formed (as of May 26) to aid the editor of The Postgrad in obtaining more articles and college news, but it must be remembered that only with the support and help of all the association members can we continue to publish this quarterly magazine. For your information we are listing below the names of the committee members, where you can reach them, and the topics they are interested in. If you can help them out with suggestions or information please contact them—they'd like to hear from you . . .

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Prof. J. G. Finnie has been elected chairman of the Montreal branch of the Certified General Accountants Association . . . Best of luck to John Hall, B.Sc. '55, who was presented with his degree from his dad, Dean Hall, at the June convocation . . . Georgians awarded degrees at the McGill convocation—M.D.C.M.—William Bentham, M.A.—I. H. Smith, C. C. Velay, Ph. D.—H. C. Verschingel . . . Mrs. Thora Worrell, wife of the college's bursar, proud mother of a baby girl as of May 18 . . . The Alumni's Easter Dance showed a net loss of about \$340—an item of \$84 spent on flowers to decorate the hall was passed "reluctantly" by the executive—that was a lot of "smell" . . .

A number of Sir George graduates honored at the 88th annual convocation of the Presbyterian College held in May—John Cousens, Donald Wilkie, Alfred Williamson, The Cornelia Park MacMillan Scholarship; Allan DeGruchy, The William Ross Scholarship; John Fortier, The Robert Anderson Scholarship; Gordon MacWillie, The George S. Morrice Scholarship, The Frederick W. Sass Prize in Pastoral Theology, The Joseph Anderson (English Bible) Prize; Allan Duncan, The John Redpath Scholarship; Leslie Renault, The Niall Hope Burnett Prize . . . Harold Rogers probably the first Georgian to win a place in the Oxford College Crew—He rowed three in Brasenose College Second Torpid Right this year . . .

We're happy to say that the Easter Issue of The Postgrad was included in the contents of the new college cornerstone receptacle . . . Miss Muriel Lowry has been named secretary of the alumni association, replacing Joyce Beddows, who was married last month and has moved to Ottawa . . . That's all till the next time, but let's hear from you and in the meantime have yourselves a good summer . . .

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# BIG SPORTS YEAR AT SIR GEORGE

by STU McEVOY, Sports Editor, "The Georgian"

**N**OW THAT the final whistles have blown, the last points been scored, and the last piece of equipment stored away for another year, we are able to sit back and review the college athletic picture as it has been filmed for the past eight months.

The picture which we see is an exciting and jam-packed one, for from the very first days of college until the very last, one sport or another was always in progress, with never a free moment in between.

Way back in the early days of October Doug Barnhart was prepping his track team for the Ottawa-St. Lawrence meet which was held at Queens on the 11th of that month. Due to our rather limited training facilities practices were few and far between and consequently we were only able to pick up a fourth spot in this meet behind the powerhouse teams of Queens, R.M.C., and McGill.

Also around this time the inter-faculty volleyball schedule was beginning. As the last ball was spiked over the net we found the Arts squad having duplicated their performance of the previous year and retaining their hard won championship.

Midway through the volleyball season, Mag Flynn, our congenial Director of Athletics and coach of the Inter-Collegiate basketball squad started practice sessions for the basketballers. Picking his team carefully Flynn managed to round out a contender for league laurels and as the inter-collegiate season came to an end we found The Georgians all wrapped up in a first place tie with the McGillians, each having posted identical 10-2, won and lost records. However in the post season playdowns both of these squads were tapped off, with the R.M.C. cadets going on to post a 63-49 sudden death win over the University of Ottawa quintet to capture the Ottawa-St. Lawrence title.

This however, wasn't the last that opposing teams heard of Sir George in a basketball way for the '55 season. The Intermediates, formerly the Owls, were entered in the City of Montreal League and swept through to the Senior Championship. This squad was composed of an equal number of students from both the Day and Evening divisions of the college. Not content with their city title they travelled to Three Rivers where they swept the Provincial Senior B championship, placing two players, in the persons of Don Bryant and Al Mikalachki, on the Provincial "Dream Team". Striving towards their goal of a Dominion Championship they were overwhelmed by the powerful Ottawa Eddy's in a two game total point series.

Still on the subject of basketball, the lovely lassies of the Georgettes fought through a bitter schedule in the City of Montreal Junior Women's League to capture the league crown in a two game total point series against McGill, defeating the red and white team, 67-56.

Towards the middle of November, Mario Lucianni's puck crew started practices and predictions of a championship were forthcoming from all quarters, but notably from the lips of Joe Doumechel, their manager. As a tune-up prior to the beginning of their league schedule the team travelled to Troy N.Y., where they met Rensselaer Polytechnic, defending Eastern United States Inter-Collegiate Champs. Although losing this battle 3-1, the boys put on such a tremendous display that one and all thought that they would surely be a strong contender during the season. However, such was not to be the case as they battled through their schedule in rather ignominious fashion, being unable to gain a point in the league standings until their final game against Bishops, which they were able to tie, 4-4.

After the exams had finished late in January, the inter-faculty basketball loop swung into action, and here again we had a duplication of the previous year as the "red hot" Science squad walked off with championship honours. The pucksters entered a team this year, but were no match for the other more highly trained squads.

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Towards the middle of February, Jim Champion and his cohorts of the hickory slats embarked for Ottawa, where they competed in the Ottawa-St. Lawrence Valley Ski Championships. The Georgian crew picked up a third slot in this meet which wasn't considered a bad showing since their practices had been restricted and we are told they entered some of the races on borrowed skis.

Also in the month of cupid the Annual Georgian Winter Carnival was held atop Mt. Royal. This year it was turned into a two day affair with the festivities starting on Friday night when The Georgian hockey squad was hosted by the Loyola Warriors. This game turned into somewhat of a catastrophe as the Loyola marksmen seemed to dent the twine at will. The final score, 10-1. However the evening ended on a somewhat brighter note with the crowning of the carnival queen, Joy Ward. The following day the scene of activity shifted to Beaver Lake where snowshoeing, skiing, broomball, woodcutting and skating were on the agenda. By the end of the day Al Crowley and Les Melia had compiled sufficient points to be named this year's winners of the Janna Trophy.

Throughout the year Alex Paxton and Issy Huss led the Georgian Fencing and Rifle Clubs respectively to very successful seasons.

Another sport partaken of by increasing numbers of Georgians this past year was Badminton. Throughout the year on Wednesday and Friday afternoons and Wednesday evenings the bird-bashers from both the Day and Evening divisions could be seen hitting the old bird around the court and thoroughly enjoying themselves. The highlight of the badminton season came towards the middle of March when a tournament was held.

The curtain actually dropped on college athletics on the night of Wednesday, April 13, when the annual awards evening was held. It was at this time that the college athletes who sported the familiar maroon and gold on the playing fields, ice lanes, and basketball courts of their opposition throughout the year were formally rewarded with a collection of crests and trophies.

Alex 'Leaky' Gilbert and John Killingbeck were declared co-winners of the Allan Smith Memorial Trophy, presented annually to the hockey player, who in the opposition of his teammates contributed most to the team in the past season. For the second time in the history of the Gill Trophy, it was won this year by a member of the fairer sex in the person of Fran Williams. Fran was the overwhelming choice of her teammates for this honour.

All in all the past year is one which will be remembered by all those who were connected with the athletic picture at Sir George. Teams representing the college won and lost, played in both Canada and across the line. More important however, was the fact that wherever they played they did credit to their college and themselves.

Next year we shall see, at long last, Sir George entered in a Senior League, for with the holding of the Annual Meeting of The Canadian Inter-Collegiate Athletic Union in April, it was unanimously decided to put our conference on an equal footing with the Ontario-Quebec Intercollegiate Athletic Union. From now on more will be expected of our athletes. They will be expected to play a continuously higher calibre of sport, but we are certain that this will be done.

It is hoped that with this elevation in stature we shall continue to grow at unprecedented rates.

## **OUR COVER**

**ALUMNI AWARD WINNER:** The Association of Alumni Award "for the outstanding commendation of his fellows and of the faculty" this year was awarded to James A. R. Watt, who received his Bachelor of Commerce degree at the June convocation. James is shown being congratulated by Len Rosenberg, left, president of the Association of Alumni, prior to the graduation ceremony in St. James United Church.



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*(Delivered by Hugh Llewellyn Keenleyside, Ph.D., LL.D., F.R.-Hist.S., F.R.G.S., Head of the United Nations Technical Assistance Administration.)*

FOR THE last four years I have had the great privilege of being closely associated with the movement of which Arnold Toynbee spoke when he said that our time would be remembered "not for its horrifying crimes or its astonishing inventions but because it is the first age since the dawn of history in which mankind dared to believe it practical to make the benefits of civilization available to the whole human race".

The Technical Assistance programmes of the United Nations are but one aspect of the desperate effort that is being made by men of good will throughout the world to combat the evil forces that are everywhere on the offensive. And so I shall talk to you about this conflict, about some of the measures that are being taken, and about our individual responsibilities in the dangerous world into which we have so suddenly been thrust.

During the last two hundred years our material progress of humanity has been almost incredible in its force and scope. The European or Asian peasant of 1750 was living and farming and thinking in ways but little changed from those of his ancestors in the valleys of the Nile, the Euphrates or the Yellow River five thousand years before. But the contrast between his outlook and methods and those of the mechanized farmer of Manitoba or Saskatchewan today is the contrast between the hoe and the self-propelled combine; between the ox-cart and the supersonic jet; between the parish rumor and world-wide radio communication.

Similar changes have taken place in almost every material aspect of life. And this process of change is not slowing down; on the contrary it is still accelerating with unexampled rapidity. Each decade sees more scientific, technical, material progress than marked the previous century. Representing Man's existence on earth as twenty-four hours, there has been infinitely greater material change in the last three seconds than in the whole preceding period.

Given the cataclysmic nature of these material changes in human society it is not surprising that we are finding difficulty in adjustment. The speed of their impact has far outraced our capacity for social adaptation. And it is in this lag that our present danger lies. We have placed the scientific knowledge of our Einsteins in the keeping of human beings who, morally and socially, are hardly adolescent. Since the discovery of methods of nuclear fission we are now on the verge of achieving, if we have not already achieved, the power of universal self-destruction. Unfortunately there is little in our past record to justify the belief that we shall not use it.

It would, of course, be false to argue that there has been no moral progress during the generations that have experienced this phenomenal material change. I am satisfied that those who mouth the old platitude that "human nature never changes" have never read history. Appalling as have been the cruelties—the cold, calculated, vicious cruelties—of the recent past, it is quite false to argue that humanity as a whole, has not made some progress in the correction of its own moral deformities. Against the record of the two world wars and all the bestialities that accompanied and followed them, one must place the history of public decency and private kindness that has marked the social welfare programmes in many lands, the many missionary movements, the work of the great foundations, the national and international technical assistance projects and the innumerable instances of personal sacrifice for good causes that have increasingly marked the conducts of humanity in recent generations. Surely it is clear to even the most cynical that never before in human history have so many individuals and groups been giving

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an affirmative answer to the basic question "Am I my brother's keeper?"

But accepting the fact of real progress in social practice it still remains true that humanity as a whole is not morally equipped to handle the tremendous responsibilities that have been placed upon it. Even if, as I believe, the great majority of people in all lands are prepared for the substitution of decency and kindness for naked and brutal power in their relations with their neighbours, there is still no assurance that this good will is so preponderant as to be generally effective.

Next to war, and the threat of war, perhaps the most glaring example of the failure of humanity to use its increased knowledge for the common good is found in the fact that so large a proportion of the human race is suffering unnecessarily from ignorance, disease, poverty and injustice.

Over half the people in the world are illiterate thus providing fertile soil for the weeds and tares of superstition, prejudice and fanaticism.

Of the remainder—those who do possess the magic power to read the written word—a sad proportion in every land including yours and mine confines, or is confined in its reading mainly to material that is designed to increase rather than to reduce ignorance, bigotry and ill-will.

Over half the people of the world are ill, though most of them could be cured and many of the most prevalent diseases could be permanently eradicated. Those of you who were born and live in the United States can expect to live, on the average, nearly 70 years—the Biblical three score and ten. You could expect a few years more if born in New Zealand, Sweden or Canada. But in over twenty countries, including some of the largest in the world, the life expectancy is about thirty years.

Most of the people in the world are hungry most of the time, yet by applying even our present knowledge to the problems of production and distribution we could go far towards ensuring reasonable standards of nutrition for all.

Most of the people in the world cannot afford decent clothing, housing and recreation. Even in the United States the average income per capita is just over \$1,500 per year, which means that the great majority of the people must do with less than that. And the United States is the wealthiest of lands. Almost two-thirds of the people of the world have a per capita income of less than \$100 a year.

It can, of course, be argued that these conditions are not new—that ignorance, poverty, disease and injustice have always characterized human existence. This is true; but it is no longer important. What is true and important is the fact that today even the most isolated and depressed of human beings know what they are missing. In earlier days those who suffered believed that they merely shared the common and inevitable lot of all humanity; that it was a law of Nature or of God that they should be hungry and ill, ignorant and oppressed. Their only hope was that in a future life they might find recompense for their sufferings here on earth.

Today this is no longer true. Everyone, everywhere knows that it is possible to enjoy material comfort in this life. The Western world has sent out religious missionaries who have preached the Gospel of the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of man; political prophets who have expatriated on the glories of liberty and democracy; and commercial salesmen who have aroused desires for the products of our industrial civilization.

To paraphrase the words of the late Dr. Bennett, first Administrator of the Point Four Programme we have given the people of the underdeveloped areas a window into the 20th Century; now we must help them to find a door.

How can these conditions be overcome? How can these problems be met?

If this is an accurate summation of the current state of the world what should the democratic nations, and in our own case, what should we in the United States and Canada do about it?

We could profitably begin with the cleansing of our own minds and spirits of the primitive traits of national, racial and social prejudice. This will mean the



recognition of the cultural and personal values inherent in the peoples we must strive to aid. It will mean the support of international, national, organizational and private programmes for the elimination of unnecessary evils.

It will mean the active participation by thousands of individuals in this and other lands in efforts to bring present comfort and future hope to the peoples of the underdeveloped areas of the world.

It will mean these things, not in a spirit of self-righteous condescension or of maudlin charity, but because our own welfare and our own self-respect require that they be done.

And then it might be salutary to consider the measure of our own responsibility for our present dangers. The practices of colonial exploitation, militarism and imperialist expansion by western powers are not so far away as to have been forgotten by those who were their victims. Nor should these evil practices be forgotten by those who employed and sought to profit from them. I remember a coloured calendar that was very popular in some parts of Canada shortly before the outbreak of the First World War. It showed a large Union Jack and in front of it in a belligerent attitude stood a British Bulldog. The caption was "What we have we'll hold; what we have not we're after". I do not suggest that that was a fair summary of British policy in the early days of the Twentieth Century, but it did represent a spirit that had not entirely disappeared. We should remember also the way in which the Great Powers sabotaged the League of Nations. The United States declined even to participate in its discussions and President Harding and Secretary of State Hughes went so far as to refuse to answer its communications. We should remember the record of our dealings with Russia between the wars and the efforts of the Baldwin-Chamberlain Government to turn Hitler east to protect the west—a policy against which Winston Churchill protested valiantly but in vain. When we recall these things we can more easily understand the suspicion and distrust of the colonial peoples. We may find in them some part of the explanation for the intransigence of Russia that is presenting us all with so great a danger now.

The facts of international and political life define the third step in a realistic policy for the democratic world; we must strengthen and maintain our military defences. For this, much as I regret it, I can see no alternative. There is no real protection against atomic weapons, but the power of retaliation is at least a deterrent to a potential aggressor.

We should also strive to strengthen our domestic economics to ensure that no remediable social injustice is likely to weaken the solidarity of our own people. Canada has moved far in this direction in recent years but there is much that can yet be done.

Parallel with these steps at home we should join with all other friendly peoples in a really vigorous effort to strengthen the weaker nations that are still free from external domination. We must help them bulwark their economies, introduce essential social reforms, provide present opportunities and future hope for their peoples. These countries do not want to accept Communism but they will accept it if they can find no other solution for their problems. If they do desert the free world, our own future is lost. We cannot long survive in freedom if three out of four people in the world are united under despotism. And time is running out. All over the world the bulwarks of human liberty have been caving in. If we are to act successfully we must act quickly and strongly.

By strengthening the still free but dangerously unstable parts of the world we are strengthening our own defences. Dollars spent on technical and financial assistance may eventually mean dollars saved on bombs. Every teacher or doctor or engineer, or economist or agricultural expert sent out today will reduce the likelihood of our having to send sailors, soldiers and airmen tomorrow. I suggest that it is better to



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But it is not enough to place this programme on a commercial and practical basis. There is a higher and a better justification. Most of us believe that the purely negative policy of building constantly greater armaments is not, in itself, good enough for a people who profess to be guided by the spirit of Christianity. Nor should we do good only that dollars may be gained. Most of us believe that a constructive and a generous international policy is an imperative need. One great aspect of such a policy is to be found in the programmes of mutual aid.

And so we engage in this great programme not only because it offers a vastly increased hope of military protection, and not only because it promises fantastic commercial profits. We pursue this policy because it is right. We should not, we cannot, remain passive in comfort while human beings in other lands—men and women and little children with needs and emotions and hopes like our own—suffer unnecessarily from ignorance and hunger, from illness and injustice. While they are in bonds none of us can be truly free. In aiding them we are raising ourselves to a higher level of human conduct.

Whatever our religious convictions I believe that all good Canadians are prepared to respond to such an appeal as that of the Society of Friends when they said: "Let us join together to grow more food, to Heal and prevent disease, to conserve and develop the resources of the good earth to the Glory of God and the comforting of man's distress. These are the tasks to which, in humility for our share in the world's shame, and in faith in the power of love, we call our own society and all men and nations everywhere".

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**T**HREE HUNDRED and thirty-four graduates—the largest class in Sir George Williams College's 20-year history—received their degrees and diplomas at the 1955 Convocation in St. James United Church on June 3.

The number of graduates was 43 more than received degrees and diplomas at any previous convocation. Dr. Hugh Llewellyn Keenleyside, head of the United Nations Technical Assistance Administration, was guest speaker of the evening.

The graduating class was made up of 122 Day students and 212 from the Evening division.

Winners of degrees and honors are:

### Bachelor of Arts

T. Abramovitch, J. M. Alleyne, M. H. Angelakis, T. I. A. der Maur, F. G. Barnett, M. A. Belair, R. Belenkie, E. B. Berzins, G. A. Bey, G. F. Bissett, P. E. Blitt.

J. J. Branchaud, I. M. Brink, D. M. Brown, M. Brown, M. W. Buck, J. C. Cairns, I. B. Campbell, E. R. Cann, J. P. Caplan, D. Carnie, M. L. Carrier, W. W. Charnutzky.

Z. Ciokan, J. Clare, G. J. Cleary, F. A. Collins, J. Cousens, M. Coviensky, A. C. Crone, J. I. Cuffling, P. M. Cumas, S. C. Cumas.

M. R. Daniel, M. E. Dennis, B. M. de St. Croix, G. O. Despres, D. F. Dewdney, H. R. Donaldson, P. A. Dufort, A. J. Durnford, J. E. Edgley, D. A. G. El-Sal, E. V. Faughnan, I. I. Finkelberg, D. A. Foster.

R. G. Gibson, E. Goldberg, T. W. Goodger-Hill, A. Goodman, L. Goodwill, K. H. Gough, E. M. Goulet, A. M. Grates, M. J. Gravel, G. C. S. Gringer.

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A. M. Mackay, J. D. Mackay, I. A. MacLeay, E. A. Martin, A. McCann, G. G. McDevitt, W. M. McGurk, J. A. McKindsey, G. E. McLeod, E. A. McMahon, A. K. McNeill, J. A. Mergler, L. Miller, R. A. Mondor.

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S. D. Singer, R. M. Sloan, S. O. Smith, F. L. Solomon, A. M. Stokes, O. P. Sykora, M. E. Tedstone, V. E. Todd.

J. Trottier, D. G. Vallieres, P. F. Vincent, W. H. Waddington, A. J. Ward, J. C. Webb, H. Weissler, H. R. West, K. M. White, L. G. Wynnckyj.

### Bachelor of Commerce

I. A. Aaron, F. F. Abbott, G. J. Alevizakis, J. Altenhaus, A. Baranyi, J. R. Beaulieu, J. J. Bell, S. M. Berman, C. R. Blake.

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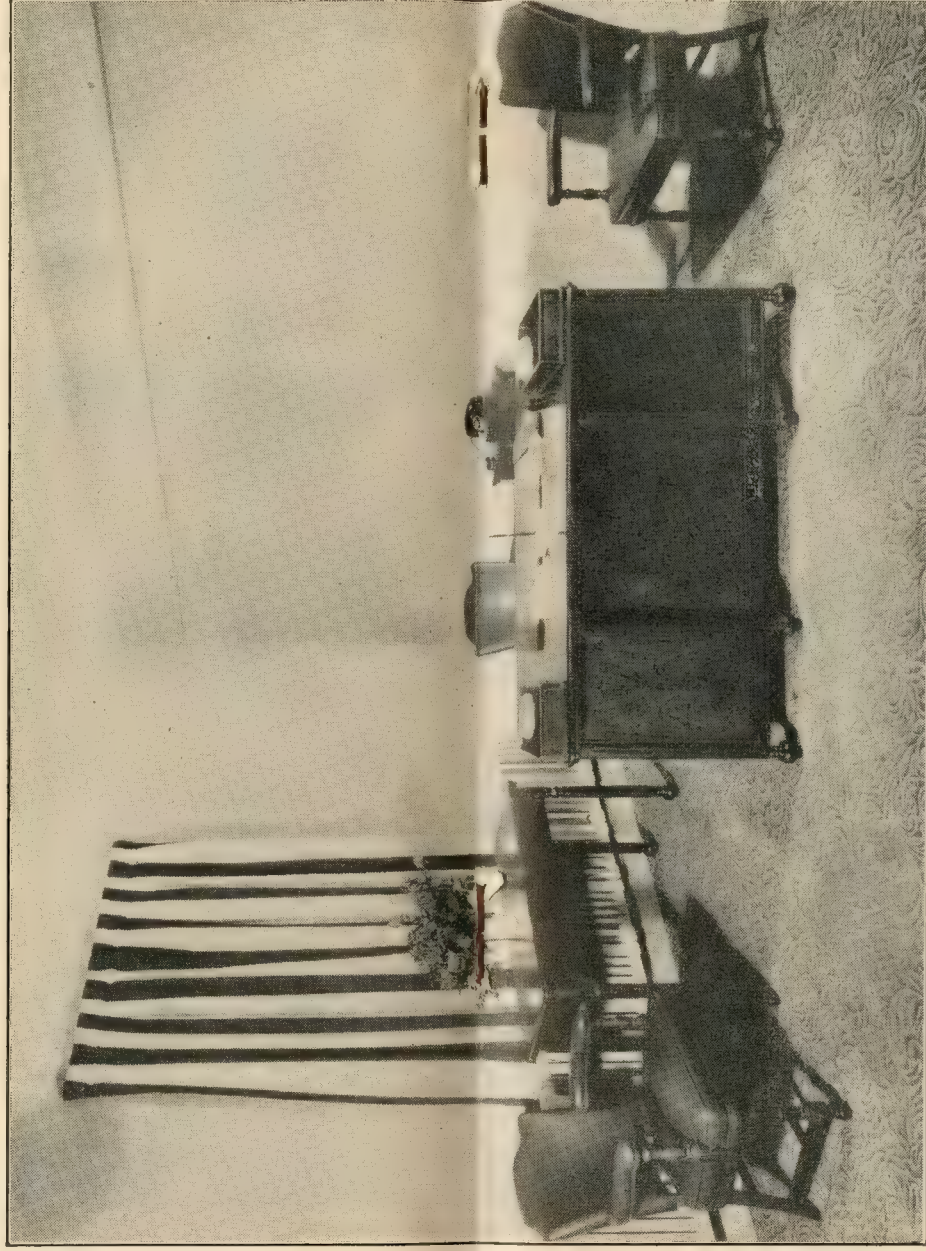




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G. A. McCarrell, R. J. Meaney, J. W. Meunier, P. Mezei, I. T. Mikalayunas, T. Molnar, A. E. Morton, R. E. Nauss, R. F. Neale, L. Oberman, P. Orrell, J. S. Pal.

W. B. Payne, D. J. Pitts, M. Plawiuk, T. H. Pocock, J. J. Power, O. Revenko, G. H. Rheume, B. W. Robertson, J. E. Robidoux, L. E. Robitaille.

M. J.-P. Roch, S. Rosenthal, D. F. Ross, J. L. Rousseau, E. H. Samuels, J.-J. Sanche, W. J. Schneider, D. M. Seligman, A. A. Shuster, J. G. Silver, L. C. Skinner, I. A. Smith.

G. H. Stevens, G. Svec, J. E. Taylor, R. W. Thauvette, R. N. Timmins, T. R. Turnbull, L. A. Varah, M. Vineberg, H. von Glatz, W. K. Ward, J. A. Watt, G. L. Welden, D. A. Williams, G. A. Willis, J. P. Zakowiecki.

### Bachelor of Science

J. J. Allard, E. E. Beamish, K. W. Bennett, J. L. Bertoia, G. A. Boisclair, E. H. Boutilier, J. Burke, K. Bush, R. C. Charlesworth, D. B. Colbeck, A. A. Craig, M. H. Cross, P. D. Crowe, R. W. Cumming.

I. R. Davidson, P. E. Desy, E. R. DeVries, R. D. Fildes, G. M. Furuya, J. R. Gervais, J. G. Gibson, R. F. Gill, J. Gordon, G. Greenblatt.

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## Provincial High School Teacher's Diplomas:

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## Capacity Registration

The Sir George Williams College and Schools last year recorded a capacity registration of 8,754 students. At the 1954 Convocation 281 candidates received degrees, among which was the 2000th degree granted by the College and an additional 129 students received high school diplomas. The Elementary School of the College graduated 61 students. The School of Retailing, which is generously supported by Montreal's leading Departmental stores graduated 18 students, all of whom found employment in one of the stores.

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### Associate In Science

R. Forrer, J. D. Haigh, M. Yuhasz.

### Associate In Arts

S. S. Auerhaw, H. Braunstein, N. Di-Tomaso, A. M. Ingram, M. A. Lief, B. M. Macario, J. A. MacKean, V. K. O'Sullivan, B. A. Shand, J. A. Thau.

## ***Top Athlete of The Year***



For the second time in the history of the college a girl was awarded the Gill Trophy, emblematic of the top athlete at Sir George, at the tenth annual awards evening in April. Frances Williams, a third year Arts student, is shown receiving the coveted trophy from Dr. K. E. Norris, principal. The 21-year-old miss led the women's basketball team to the junior WOBL title and took the intra-mural skiing and badminton championships. The first girl to win the top sports award in the college was Betty Wilcox in 1947.

### ***18 Receive Diplomas From Retailing School***

Eighteen successful candidates received their diplomas from the Sir George Williams College School of Retailing at the graduation exercises in Budge Hall on June 15.

The graduates were: Miss Audrey Bigman, Sillery, Que.; Miss Fiona Bogert, Magog, Que.; Mr. Jean Jacques Daneau, Pierreville, Que.; John V. Foulkes, St. Lambert, Que.; Miss Mary E.

Gatenby, Sutton; Thomas Ian Hall, Montreal West; Miss Janet P. Henderson, Westmount; Miss Mary J. Henderson, Town of Mount Royal; Jacob L. Jessurun-Cardozo, Netherlands, Antilles; Howard J. Katz, Montreal; Miss Suzanne D. G. Murray, Quebec; Georges Nazair, Matane, Que.; Mr. Aime Quintal, Charlemagne; Miss Barbara A. Reid, Montreal; Miss Rhoda A. Ross, Valleyfield, Que.; Norman Sherman, Montreal; Irving Simon, Montreal, and Miss Bernice Wolfe, Montreal.



## **"OUR BUSIEST YEAR"**

# **DAY OF HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE NOTED BY BOARD CHAIRMAN**

*(Text of address delivered by B. W. Roberts, O.B.E., D.C.L.,  
chairman of the board of governors, at this month's convocation.)*

**O**N BEHALF of the Board of Governors and the Corporation of Sir George Williams College, I bid you a cordial welcome to our 20th Annual Convocation.

This promises to be a day of historic significance to the College, its members, and friends. This afternoon the corner-stone of our fine new building on Drummond Street was well and truly laid by Mr. F. B. Walls, President of the Young Men's Christian Association of Montreal, and of the Corporation. To-night we meet to carry out the formal admission to degrees in Arts, Science and Commerce of a record class of 334 candidates—43 more than graduated at any previous Convocation.

We are very pleased to have with us the Rev. Norman Rawson, Minister of St. James United Church, and I extend to Mr. Rawson and the Session of the Church our grateful thanks for again permitting the use of this fine auditorium.

We are also extremely happy to have our Principal, Dr. Norris, back in his accustomed place after his enforced absence last year.

In some respects the academic year just concluded has been our busiest and most productive. In addition to the present ceremonies, two associated Schools—the Business School and the School of Retailing—will hold graduating exercises this month, while those of the Evening High School will be held as usual in October.

It is interesting to note that total registration in the College and Schools during the 1954-55 session was 6,678, and of this number 3,846 were enrolled in day and evening courses at the College level.

In the continued growth and progress of Sir George Williams the Board of Governors are deeply conscious of the vital part played by our faithful and hard-working Faculty and Staff, and I assure them of our sincere appreciation at all times.

Needless to say we are proud of to-night's graduates, and to you I extend hearty congratulations on having reached your goal. As you bid farewell to Sir George Williams I trust you will carry with you some of the essential spirit of this institution. May you remember us as we will remember you, and may you realize that the education you have received carries with it a trust and an obligation which can only be discharged in terms of service to your community and your country. Our best wishes go with you for a happy and successful future.

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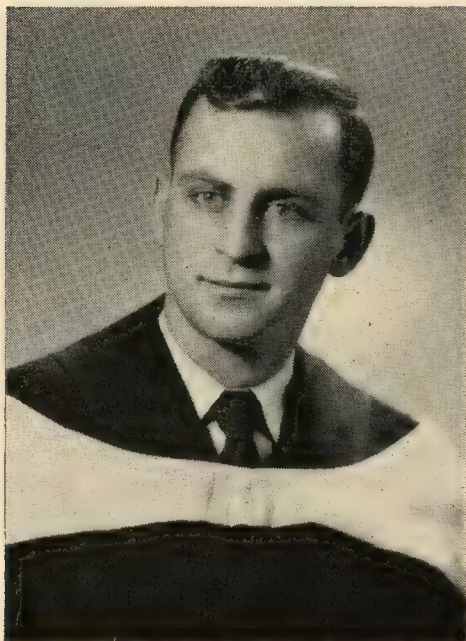
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Vic is 2nd vice-president of the Association of Alumni .

While at college he was active in extracurricular activities, serving as vice-president of the SUS, organizer of the Young Liberals Club, feature writer on "The Georgian", trainer of the college hockey team, vice-president of the Class of '52, and took a keen interest in intramural sports.

Shortly after his graduation, he joined the firm of International Business Machines of Canada as a student salesman and was later promoted to sales representative in the Montreal area.

Since leaving college he has visited several South American countries and recently returned from a trip to Mexico, where he spent some time visiting the new Mexico University. Until a year ago he was active as an officer in the reserve army, but due to the pressure of other activities he was forced to retire from this field.

A hard worker, now as in his undergraduate days, Vic still takes a keen interest in the college and its work.

## 103rd Y Report Shows College Staff "Stable"

During the year the staff remained quite stable although with our large number of part-time staff, several resignations and new appointments take place each year. Three full-time faculty appointments were made: Mr. D. W. Cole, in English, Mr. John O'Brien, in Enocomics and Mr. R. Verschingel, in Chemistry. Mr. E. Gault Finley was appointed Administrative Assistant to the Principal.

It is believed that continuous emphasis should be placed on the main purposes of the educational process and efforts are being made to maintain the focus on personality and character development in spite of increasing size of student body and staff. In line with this our student counselling service has been maintained and extended, there now being three full-time counsellors, four part-time counsellors and a mental hygiene consultant. Also in line with this policy, the faculty has formed a curriculum committee which is now engaged in making a thorough and long-term study of the program of the College (Faculties of Arts, Science and Commerce.)

In general, the work of the College and Schools in its efforts to influence and develop people may be divided into three areas:—

1. The first is the curriculum itself which is basic to any formal educational effort. In this, the various units must maintain liaison and collaboration with other schools of the same nature and purpose. For example, other institutions and the public generally expect a college degree or a high school graduation diploma to represent, within limits, a certain kind and level of achievement.

2. The auxiliary services such as counselling, whether carried out by professional counsellors or by professors or administrative staff, can play an important role in the educational process. These auxiliary services include the necessary, but not directly productive, aspects particularly the maintenance of

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## **Universities Need More Help**

A university president said in Toronto this month that Canada's universities must either claim more substantial donations from industrial corporations or fail in their task.

Rev. Dr. H. J. Somers, president of

### **103rd Y Report . . .**

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students' accounts and records. In a program as large and varied as this, these become very complex and extensive. For example, the equivalent of one person's full time is now required in making transcripts of record for present and former students.

3. A third important area is that of extra-curricular activities. These can contribute greatly to the development of people and if wisely directed are an important aspect of an educational institution. This field is not widely different from the usual program of a YMCA and has the same aims and methods.

St. Francis Xavier University at Antigonish, N.S., said existing university facilities are inadequate. Only a united appeal to industry could save the situation from becoming many times more serious during the next few years.

Dr. Somers was one of three Canadian experts on university affairs to speak on economic problems at the national conference of Canadian universities which is being held as part of the conference of learned societies at the University of Toronto.

The other speakers were Professor V. C. Fowke, Department of Economics and Political Science at the University of Saskatchewan, president of the Canadian Association of University Teachers, and Dr. K. A. H. Buckley, of the same department.

Industry has come increasingly to recognize the importance of universities, Dr. Somers said. In the United States this year business and industries corporations will contribute \$100,000,000 to colleges and universities. In Canada, he said, it would probably be between \$3,000,000 and \$4,000,000.

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# CORNERSTONE LAID BY F. B. WALLS FOR COLLEGE'S NEW HOME

IN A QUIET ceremony on Convocation Day the cornerstone was laid for Sir George Williams' five-storey "home of its own" on Drummond street.

The cornerstone of the \$3,000,000 building, adjacent to the Central YMCA, was laid by F. B. Walls, C.B.E., president of the corporation of Sir George Williams College and the YMCA of Montreal.

In his address to the members of the board of governors, the faculty, staff and guests, B. W. Roberts, O.B.E., D.C.L., chairman of the board of governors, described the ceremony as "the final realization of a long deferred but ardent hope for adequate quarters in which to house the ever-expanding activities of the college."

"Throughout their histories Sir George Williams and the YMCA have been closely identified with the cultural, social and business life of the city and keenly aware of its needs," the chairman said.

"The remarkable growth of the college has been, in fact, in direct ratio to the increasing demand for opportunities for evening education at the university level, particularly on the part of young employed men and women."

"We are grateful to recall that, if the college and YMCA have been alive to the requirements of the community, it in turn, has been equally conscious of our problems and necessities," Mr. Roberts added.

It is solely due to the generosity of the citizens and business firms in Montreal, in supporting so wholeheartedly our appeal for financial aid, that we are able to erect this fine structure, and thus accommodate in one central location, the classes and varied projects of the college."

Mr. Roberts noted that the college was "now struggling with makeshift facilities" in seven buildings on three different streets.

Following the ceremony a silver trowel used in the cornerstone laying was presented to Mr. Walls by Mr. Roberts.

The prayer of dedication and the benediction was given by Rev. S. Thomson, M.A., D.D., LL.D., F.R.S.C., dean of the faculty of divinity, McGill University.

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## 2,000 Register For Summer Term

Nearly 2,000 people have registered for summer instruction at Sir George Williams College. All classes are carried on in the evening.

The summer term got under way May 31, and will be continued until Sept. 2. Final examinations will begin August 3.

Thirteen hundred students registered for college courses in arts, science and commerce. A further 430 students have started summer work in the high school. The business school registered 263 students.

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## 'Y' FOUNDED

On June 6, 1844 the original Young Men's Christian Association was founded by George Williams in London, England.

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## 52 DEGREES IN '45

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## ***ALUMNI ASSUMES GREATER RESPONSIBILITY TO COLLEGE***

**D**URING THE YEAR the physical facilities of the College and Schools continued to be used to capacity in the Evening Division. Additional space giving a total of two classrooms and nine offices is provided on the third floor of the Stanley Street Building. This partially compensates for the loss of the annex formerly occupying the site of the new building. In addition to space in the Central building, the College now conducts classes in rented quarters in six buildings outside. These include the property of the Engineering Institute, the Salvation Army and O'Sullivan's Business College. Staff and Students alike eagerly await the completion of the new building.

An important aspect of the College's life is its relationship with the cultural, industrial and commercial life of the community. Several Montreal firms have over 100 employees attending evening classes in the College and Schools; while in the case of some firms, the number is well over 200. An increasing number of firms assist their employees to attend evening classes in such ways as by paying part of the tuition fee and by giving time off for examinations and for registration.

Teachers in the public schools continue to form an important group of evening students. An increasing number are securing advanced qualifications (including the High School Teachers' Diploma) in this way.

A feature of the 1954 convocation ceremony was the graduation of the two thousandth person to receive a degree from the College. Mr. Justice R. L. Kellock of the Supreme Court of Canada was the speaker and a total of 281 bachelor's degrees were granted.

As the number of alumni increases, this body assumes greater importance in relation to the College as well as to the community. The Association of Alumni has been loyal in maintaining interest and in supporting the College in many ways. This Association continues to be represented on the College Board of Governors by two members. The Alumni now occupy a wide variety of positions representing practically all the usual professions and commercial occupations.

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### **NEW IN NEW YORK?**

## ***INTERCOLLEGIATE ALUMNI INVITES COLLEGE GRADS***

Graduates located in the New York metropolitan area are invited to join a unique YMCA-associated organization called Intercollegiate Alumni of New York. It brings together congenial people from colleges all over the world, most of whom are new to New York City and its ways.

I.A. was founded over twenty-five years ago. Each month its more than

three hundred members take part in a dozen or so varied activities, ranging from sports, parties, hikes, tours and dances to social service projects and religious discussions. In these sessions young college graduates not only are introduced to "the best in New York City", but are given an opportunity to mingle and form close ties of friendship

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## — PRIZE WINNERS —

The following is a list of 14 students who received prizes and special awards at the college's convocation on June 3:—

Hebrew Culture Organization of Canada Prize—for excellence in the study of the Hebrew Language, Edward Clark Over and Gloria Grace Kulbeck, B.A., '55;

The Canadian International Paper Company Prize in Biology—for the graduating student with the best record in the field of Biology, John Bray Thomson, B.Sc., '55;

Canadian Industries (1954) Limited Prize in Chemistry—for the graduating student with the highest standing in Chemistry courses, Henry Schneider, B.Sc., '55;

The Chemical Institute Prize—for the best third year student entering fourth year and majoring in Chemistry, Edward Francis Matthews;

Psychological Association of the Province of Quebec Prize—for outstanding work in psychology, Joseph Rubin, B.A., '55;

Prix Villard—pour récompenser l'étudiant qui s'est plus intéressé et distingué dans l'étude de la langue et de la littérature françaises, Minifred Alice Laberge, B.A., '55;

The Sun Life Prize in Economics—for the graduating student with the highest standing in the Economics Major, John Douglas Rae, B.A., '55;

The Mappin Medal—for the highest ranking graduating student in Science, Henry Schneider, B.Sc., '55;

The Frosst Medal—for the highest ranking graduating student in Commerce, Eric Henry Kinsella, B.Com., '55;

The Birks Medal—for the highest ranking graduating student in Arts, Margaret Ann Belair, B.A., '55;

The Lieutenant-Governor's Silver Medal for History—for the highest standing in the History major, Henriette Louise Breyer Weyland;

The Governor General's Medal—for the graduating student showing the highest achievement in the field of English Language and Literature, Margaret Ann Belair, B.A., '55;

Board of Governor's Medal for Creative Expression—for outstanding creative ability in the fine arts, Gundega Aria Janefelde;

First Graduating Class Award—for outstanding new contribution to the student life of the College, Trevor Walter Edwin Goodger-Hill, B.A., '55;

Association of Alumni Award—for the outstanding commendation of his fellows and of the faculty, James Alexander Roger Watt, B.Com., '55.

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### **Intercollegiate Alumni . . .**

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with alumni of colleges as far apart as Heidelberg University, Penn State, and the University of Washington. The program is run entirely by the members, geared to their wants and needs, and each phase of activity conducted by its own committee.

Both men and women are eligible to join Intercollegiate Alumni, with the age limits set at 30 for men and 26 for women, at the time of joining. Prospective members are invited to participate in all the organization's events, so that they can get a full idea of the activities before applying for membership. There's an annual membership fee of \$5 and a nominal admission charge for most events to defray their cost. The rest of

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### **OUR COLLEGE**

On May 3, 1926, the board of directors approved that the name "Sir George Williams College" be given to the YMCA's formal educational work.

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### **2,000 VETS BY '46**

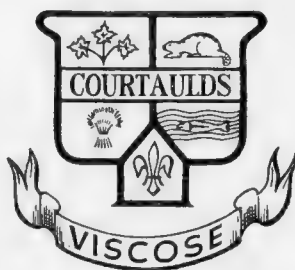
By March, 1946, more than 2,000 veterans had enrolled in degree courses at Sir George and in the Schools.

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the budget is met by the YMCA and by contributions from various interested individuals.

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# UNIVERSITY SPORTS PICTURE

by MAGNUS FLYNN, Director of Athletics

**I**N A RECENT series of meetings between the representatives of more than 18 Canadian Universities in Central Canada, the organization of Intercollegiate athletics has been adjusted to meet the needs of the growing number of Colleges competing under the auspices of the Intercollegiate Athletic Union. It is my intention, in this brief article, to deal only with the present organization of the C.I.A.U. and not with the former organization or with the factors which caused the re-organization.

There are now two Intercollegiate Athletic Associations, of equal status, in operation; the Ontario-Quebec Intercollegiate Athletic Association (O.A.C., MacMaster, Queens, Assumption, University of Toronto, Western and McGill University) and the Ottawa-St. Lawrence Intercollegiate Athletic Association (R.M.C., Carleton, St. Patricks', Ottawa U., MacDonald College, Loyola College, College Militaire Royale, Bishops and Sir George Williams College). These two Associations have complete control of the athletic competition within their own governing Executive. U. of Montreal and Laval University have still to decide which Association to join.

The Canadian Intercollegiate Athletic Union, formerly the representative Board of Governors for individual institutions, is now the meeting place for the representatives of the two associations. Each association has five members on the Board of Governors and these members are the Executives of their respective Associations. It might be worth while mentioning, also that there seems to be a possibility of the Western and Eastern University Associations joining the Union within the not too distant future.

It is interesting to note the effect of these changes on the local Sir George Williams College scene. First, Intercollegiate Team members will now receive a Senior "G" instead of an Intermediate "G", secondly, we shall no longer be competing against the Intermediate teams of other Colleges and, thirdly, we can now concentrate on developing the caliber of competition within our own Association without fear of losing teams to another Association. In a few years from now there is a desire for Intermediate competition, we shall organize it within our own Association.

At a recent meeting of the Ottawa-St. Lawrence Association, the following Executive Board members were elected: President—Dr. Lowe (R.M.C.) Vice-President—Magnus Flynn (S.G.W.C.) Secretary—N. D. Fenn (Carleton) members-at-large—Denis Harbic (Ottawa U) and W. Tompkins (Bishops). These five representatives met with the representatives of the Ontario-Quebec Association and approved the provisional constitution of the Canadian Intercollegiate Athletic Union. They will meet annually to discuss items of mutual interest concerning Intercollegiate competition.

One of the sadder notes of this re-organization was the dropping of McGill's Intermediate entry in the team sports of the Ottawa-St. Lawrence Association. In view of McGill's contribution to the original organization of the conference, it was regretted that this was the only move which would ensure the growth of the Ottawa-St. Lawrence Association. The situation was forced because, in a number of sports, various colleges felt that they could compete on a Senior level and yet they were bound to playing second teams. Since the ruling only applies to team games, we shall still see our friendly rivals in Track, Golf, Tennis and Swimming on an invitational basis.

In closing this article, I would like to extend an invitation to out-of-town graduates to drop into the Athletic Office whenever they happen to be in Montreal. This particularly applies after the completion of the new building—we would enjoy showing you around.



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## VALEDICTORY

# "OUR COLLEGE FULFILLED ITS RESPONSIBILITY — FROM HERE ON, WE MUST FULFILL OURS"

by JOHN DOUGLAS RAE, B.A.

**T**HE FOUNDER of the Rhodes Scholarships Cecil John Rhodes said "that next to entertaining or impressive talk, a thorough-going silence usually manages to impress most people". Although my few words perhaps may prove entertaining, they are certainly not an attempt to impress,—yet I would like to thank my fellow graduates for allowing me the honour of breaking this precious silence to speak on behalf of our graduating class of 1955.

This, of course, is a special occasion. One which brings to a conclusion the individual efforts of all the graduates here. I know in particular of some industrious members of this class who have plugged hard for as long a period as 6, 7, 8 and even 9 years, all their efforts to be brought to a climax in a few short hours of ceremony. I can only hope that the few words they have entrusted me to speak for them, are in some way equal to the occasion. If the words are not, I can only in

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good humor suggest a little story, mentioned in a book about the origin of words, which has stuck in my mind since I read it a few years ago. It tells how the animal name Kangaroo came to the English language. Evidently, when Captain Cook landed first in Australia, one of his crew walked sprightly up to the natives to find out what they called those unusual hopping specimens of the animal world. According to the story he said, "Say Ol' Chap, what do you call those", pointing to a number of kangaroos. The native answered, "Ken Ghar Oo", which in the native tongue meant, "I do not understand". But the English tar hardly to be outdone, replied, "What's that Mate, Kangaroo you say, well Kangaroo it is" and we had a new word in our language. If my words, in the language of the native, are a little "Ken Ghar Oo", perhaps they will at least not take you quite as far of the track as the sailor went in the story.

This is a farewell address. A farewell address to an Alma Mater of which we have grown to be proud, and to which we shall always remain loyal. To an outsider, this assertion of loyalty and pride for an institution which has barely begun to build a wall around its stamping grounds, must give pause to wonder what strength of purpose serves to hold such a large group of students together. It is about this purpose that I would like to speak.

It is some few years since the Y.M.C.A. was founded, but even fewer years since Sir George Williams College had its beginnings; 1926 to be exact. The forsite of the founders of this College, will never cease to amaze me. For it is obvious that during the formative years, the need for a College education was hardly apparent, judging by the fact that the first graduates did not appear until 1936, and then only two in number. No, it was with a sharp appraisal of the future of our country and the community, that those men established an institution at such an early date.

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But even more, it was the desire to provide the opportunity for individuals with ability, to further the education so necessary to young people, young men and women who would one day decide the future of our Canadian democracy. Yet the even higher purpose was to provide an education, not only of the mind, but of the body, and in spirit. A philosophy of education, new in its time, that would help to mold better persons, for a better world. To the men and women of the Board of Governors and the Faculty of our College, who have kept alive these ideals, we owe much. The influences of their work will long be felt in the world in which we live.

Last term, I came in contact with an individual who is only one of countless examples to illustrate the tremendous work of our Alma Mater. Sitting in class with other students, I managed to strike up an acquaintance with a serious student next to me. He worked hard to understand the subject. Another day at the office, a young lady mentioned that she knew this student and that his wife had just given birth to a lovely baby girl. Somewhat surprised to find out that he was married, for he appeared to be quite young, I asked a few more questions. It was even more startling to learn that he was the father of five children;—but it was his first at Sir George. To him, and other men and women with similar needs, the door to further achievement and development has been opened. This then, is the role of our College, We are its graduates.

We know we are not the first graduates, nor surely the last, but we are the largest class in the history of the College. Well over 300 men and women will receive degrees tonight. A milestone surely, in each of the graduates lives, but an even greater one for Sir George Williams College.

I suppose, that if we were all asked to sit for an examination in Natural Science 101, we would hardly remember all the details, but we can recall the Dean telling

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us how geologists, in recording the history of the earth's crust, first segregate the story into eras. The end of each era is brought to a close by a period of tremendous mountain building and begins the new era in a similar state. Now I would like to present just one analogy. This afternoon, when Mr. F. B. Walls, the President of the Montreal Y.M.C.A., laid the cornerstone for our new building, he brought to a close the first era in the history of this College. A period of building had begun. Thus although we are not the first class in the history of the College, it seems to me, we are the last class of this first era. It is for this reason that this valedictory is dedicated, not to the commendation of the merited work of my fellows, but to the life of a greater institution, of which we are a part.

Yet to be fair to our families and friends sharing to-nights' event, they should know, how much, and in what way we have benefited during our sojourn at Sir George. To attempt to describe this briefly is difficult.

The changes in personal development in each of us, are as varied and numerous as the number of graduates here. But let's try. We are graduates because we tried!

You may at first, think it my intention now, to labor over the vast numbers of subjects in which we have studied. On the contrary, I would like to suggest that our years of association with college life, have installed in us, much different qualities, far more important and close to our basic needs of the future. Be we Arts, Science, or Commerce graduates we have all been affected by the same College purposes. Influences born with, and developed within a profound philosophy of education.

We have learned that change is continuing. That just as an institution must bend to follow the path of social progress, so the individual must work to keep abreast of the greater changes resulting from social activity around him.

We have been endowed over these years with a spirit and will to win, and perhaps only after tonight, will we fully appreciate, that the fruits of labour, are reaped by those that sow the seeds and care for the crop.

We have been given the chance to seek higher levels of personal achievement and self-expression. The life we now lead takes us beyond the confines of narrow-mindedness to a fuller and richer experience.

In the natural sciences we have been aroused to the growing complexities of finite matter and introduced to the vastness of creation in a universe without a boundary. On more issues and problems of philosophic root, we have been shown early and contemporary thought. The only limit to the education provided, was set by the limits of our own capacity.

One of the fundamental principle of good leadership, is summed up in the following quotation:—

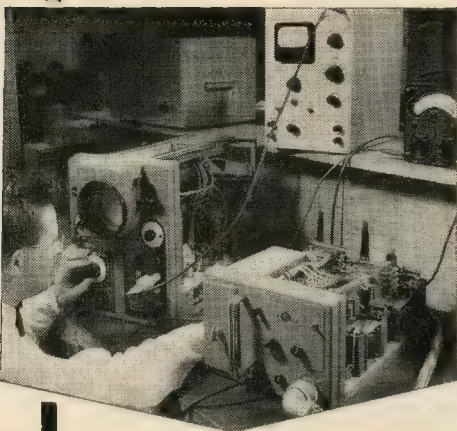
But of a good leader,  
When his job is done, his aim fulfilled,  
They will all say,—we did this ourselves.

These words are a translation of the Chinese philosopher, Laotzu, who is believed to have lived 400 years B.C. To-night we graduates feel, we did this ourselves. But did we alone? Is it not as likely, that from the date we were allowed to register at Sir George, this fine institution has been fulfilling a responsibility to us!

Earlier, I mentioned a purpose of our Alma Mater; "to provide the opportunity for those of ability". We, accepted the opportunity. Our College, fulfilled its responsibility. From here on, we must fulfill ours. For it is only by proving the worth of our education that the final aim of its founders will be attained; "to build better persons, in a better world".

One of the earliest Valedictorians of this College said this, "Sir George, or its graduates, have not yet had time to make history", which at that early date, was true. But since then over 2300 graduates have given us a record to be proud of, our College has a long history, and I hope, that some of the graduates of this class of 1955, may live to record it.

—Delivered at 1955 Convocation



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# WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH BASEBALL

by ALEC S. FINEBERG

**A**TTENDANCE at baseball games in most leagues has decreased quite considerably during the past few years, and this article will attempt to give one fan's opinion for this decline, and suggestions for reviving interest in the summer pastime in cities throughout the U.S.A. and Canada generally, and Montreal in particular.

First of all, I believe that the schedules are too long; that 154 games—including 77 at home—(plus play-off games) from April to October result in fans losing interest during certain parts of the season. I would suggest shortening the schedule to 140 games spread over 20 weeks, from the beginning of May to the middle of September. That means an average of 7 games a week to be played as follows:—a doubleheader Sunday afternoon; a two-night doubleheader during the week, such as Wednesday (or Tuesday in Montreal, to avoid competition from the popular Wednesday wrestling shows at the Forum); a single game Friday night; and a doubleheader Saturday afternoon or evening—preferably the afternoon, to encourage the children to view the games. Inclement weather would naturally affect the schedule, but not more drastically than it does now; games postponed Friday, Saturday or Sunday would be played on Monday; games postponed during the week could be played on the succeeding night.

Another recommendation is to experiment with game times. After schools are closed for summer vacation, a mid-week doubleheader could be scheduled as follows:—first game to start at 12.30 p.m., second game either at 6.30 p.m. or 8.15 p.m. This would allow more youngsters to watch at least one game, and would encourage many business men to spend their "lunch hours" at the baseball stadium.

The time of 6.30 p.m. would also be a good time to start some single games; as in Montreal, for example, fans who live in the populated west-end of town are reluctant to travel to the Stadium in the east end, after going home from work. And a 6.30 starting time would also prove more popular with the children and teen-agers.

Thus far, the magic letters "T.V." have not appeared in this article, though television is usually blamed for dwindling attendance at ball games. But this is not necessarily the case. In comparison, the Montreal Forum is always jammed for Canadiens hockey games, though Saturday games are televised, and Thursday and Saturday games can be heard on the radio. Thus I believe that, by concentrating games on the week-ends, and leaving some evening open during the week, the attendance would pick up at all the games.

To promote more interest in baseball generally, I would also suggest that special exhibition games be played on some of the evenings when no regular games are scheduled. In the major leagues, these games would be played between the home team, and a team in the other major league. And in minor league cities, some of the major league teams would play against the home team. These exhibition games do take place now, but only on a very limited scale. For example, I would like to see half-a-dozen major league teams play the Montreal Royals in exhibition games during the season.

A suggestion to the major leagues to keep baseball interest alive is to adopt the play-off system, before the World Series is played. This would result in four teams in each league having a chance to play in the big Series, whereas the 7 cities in the National League this year—other than Brooklyn—have very little chance of winning

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# Vignette — A Summer Evening

by JOHN MILLONS

HE NOTICED her as soon as he boarded the bus, a young girl freshly attired in a summer suit of soft blue. She was sitting in the corner, up behind the driver; a girl not beautiful in the trite sense of the word, yet something made her instantly interesting—her piquant face; her figure, graceful and elfin.

9.50 The garbled voice from the despatcher's box sounded out over the loud-speaker: "Bus for Riverside now leaving from Track Number Five . . . Le bus pour Riverside départ sur Voie Numéro Cinq". The driver geared into reverse and backed from the departure platform, changed, and the bus drew away from the terminal into the city streets. Neon lights were already beginning to blink garishly against the background of summer dusk, and high on the mountain, way above the dusty, limpid thoroughfares, the red beacon of a radio mast shone out its symbol of warning.

From his seat on the side, the young man looked, slowly and with obvious pleasure, at the figure of the girl . . . nineteen, twenty perhaps, he thought . . . wonder where she lives . . . probably going to the end of the line, which will leave me well adrift.

The girl's light summer clothing contoured every curve of her young body, imbuing it with a sensuous virginity which stirred the young man's appetite. She sensed his gaze, and a touch of shyness heightened the colour of her cheeks. After a fleeting glance in his direction, as if in reassurance, she half-turned away to look out the window at the bridge lights flashing by overhead. He glanced away, and after a few minutes, saw from the corner of his eye that she looked again toward

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the pennant. And even the fans in the cities whose teams are in second, third, or fourth place in that league might lose interest if the Dodgers continue to win regularly.

Many other suggestions have been made to help revive interest in baseball, such as speeding up the games; "give-aways"; putting on special vaudeville and sports acts, etc., etc.; and if some of the suggestions outlined in this article were put into force, I believe that attendance at ball games would definitely increase everywhere in general and in particular, the Montreal Baseball Stadium would have from 5,000-10,000 (and more) fans for each game or double-header, instead of the 1,000-2,000 average attendance at the single mid-week night games at the present time.

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him. A suggestion of a smile crossed his face, and the reflection appeared in hers.

Through the delicate lace of her left glove the young man had already noticed that signs of betrothal were absent. Must be unattached, he thought—too dammed early for a girl to be going home if she's been on a date. Not so good when there are fifty stops on this route, and I get off at number two. Chances are pretty remote.

The bus slipped on into the deepening shadows of the night, away from the city and into the suburbs beyond. Sidelong glances half-inquisitive, half-hesitant, crossed and recrossed the intervening space—never the direct stare, just the gentle flicker and the phantom smile as if in mutual recognition of a private game.

Out on the highway now, and the driver flicked off the lights, plunging the bus into darkness. In the young man's brain revolved many and one fantasy solutions to this dream-like situation, but reality eluded him . . .

On the outskirts of Saint-Croix the bus ground to a halt at the railway crossing. As a long freight train rumbled slowly past, the young man was able to see her face, silhouetted in the flashing light of the crossing signal. Once more he found the tantalizing glimmer of laughter on her lips, the hint of a repressed smile.

The crossing gates lifted and the vehicule eased slowly forward through the town. The impossibility of the situation and his lost search of a solution made the young man turn glumly to survey the wending couples sauntering hand-in-hand along the tree-lined avenue. A fragment of a theme . . . "Au Clair de la Lune" . . . drifted in from a cafe as the bus cruised by, to be lost a moment later in the myriad sounds of changing gears and engine purring. The early evening breeze through the open window caught at the girl's chestnut hair, stirred it softly agonizingly . . .

Now, as they rounded the Lakeshore Boulevard the light in the girl's eyes grew unrecognizing, and her expression changed to one which told the young man nothing. He watched, wondering.

The driver called stop number one, and the girl held her ticket and got ready to leave. Hell, thought the young man, she lives close by after all, Hastily he reached for his ticket, and walked to the door behind her. His knees began to tremble slightly. I'll make it yet, he vowed. He could sense that she knew he was getting off too. As she stepped down to the sidewalk, the girl tripped and half-stumbled. The young man reached out a steady hand beneath her elbow, supporting her. She turned to him with a smile of thanks.

Behind them, they heard the hiss of the closing doors. The bus gathered speed, and passing with a final flash of brightness, sped into the night, committing them to themselves.

The young man stood close to the girl, spoke quietly. A moment of conversation . . . a coy, assenting nod, and footsteps in unison clicked away in the summer night.

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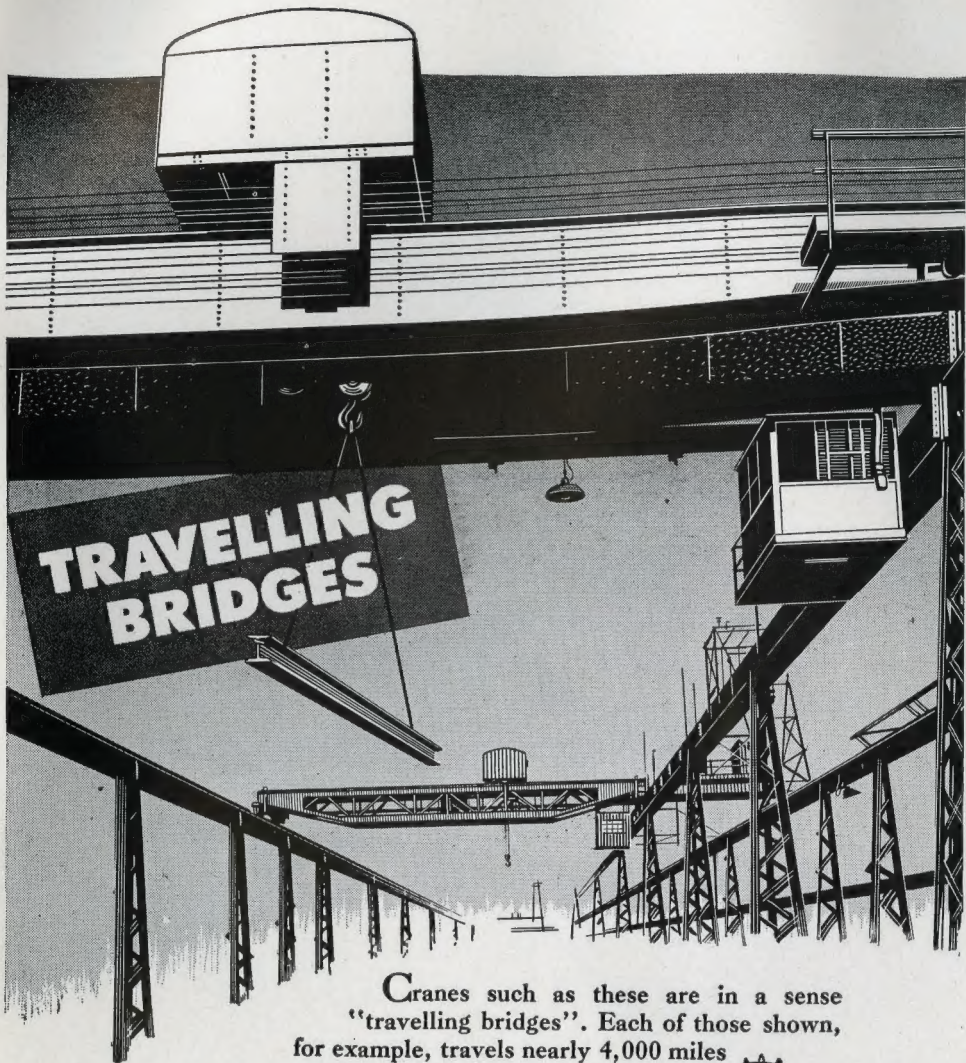
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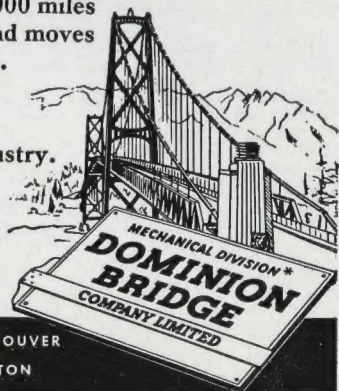




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